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## MISSION LECTURE AT POUNDING MILL

Interesting Talks About Customs of  
Natives of India—Personal Notes  
of Thriving Town.

Pounding Mill, Va., March 11. John Gillespie and Arthur Hunnell were among the horse jockeys at Tazewell today. They exchanged the faithful old grey dray horse of Steele-Hurt and Co., for a prancing black which Arthur returned with. John is still missing.

John Wharton, the little four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Gillespie, was so unfortunate as to be run over by one wheel of a wagon on last Saturday and has been suffering intensely, it was feared that his leg was fractured.

Mr. Leonard Spratt formerly of Richlands, but now of Erwin, Tenn., was married on last Wednesday in Charleston, W. Va., to Miss Edie Williams of this town—returning on Friday afternoon. They left yesterday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Spratt at Richlands. The bride is a popular teacher, the groom is a fireman on the C. C. and O. running out of Erwin. We understand that they will make their home in Erwin. We understood that Mrs. Arthur Kerr, only sister of the bride, who lives near Charleston, W. Va., witnessed the marriage. Miss Rebekah Davis, her cousin, of this place, accompanied them as far as Bluefield.

Rev. Isaac Wright, of Bluefield, will preach at Christian church Sunday at 11 o'clock. The C. W. B. M. will meet in the afternoon.

Mrs. H. W. Christian spent Wednesday of last week at Tazewell.

Ralfee Gillespie, of Tazewell High School, spent the week-end with parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Gillespie.

The train this morning at six o'clock hit two of W. B. Steele's fine Jersey cows—one cow's leg was broken, the other cow was badly bruised, she had to be lifted and pulled off the bridge west of the station, all her legs were down through the bridge.

A very fine riding horse of George Hurt killed itself last week while George attended the burial of his cousin, J. D. Harrison at Tazewell. The horse reached up and got its head fastened in the barn at R. K. Gillespie's, breaking its neck.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ringstaff and two children visited relatives in Richlands Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Alice Mulkey, Graham, was guest of her aunt, Miss Lettie Ringstaff Sunday.

The meeting at the Church of God still continues, with interest and large congregations. Rev. Vest, of Elizabethton, Tenn., is doing the preaching. Rev. Riddle having gotten sick of lagrippe returned to his home at Johnson City on Monday morning. He preached a most excellent sermon on Sunday night, although almost too sick to preach. Rev. Wilson joined Rev. Rawlinson, of Bluefield, and Miss Mary V. Hale, of Blacksburg, on their trip down the line. Miss Hale gives a talk each night at different points about her missionary trip to India. The people were very much interested in her talk here, which held the very large audience for over an hour, not telling half the story. To say that the people were delighted as well as interested, would be stating fact tamely. She was dressed as was also Rev. Wilson, in India costume. Rev. Wilson, in paraded the streets in his costume the afternoon preceding the lecture, thus exciting interest and causing many to turn out. His costume consisted of white pajamas or breeches, bagged at the knees, fitted tightly above the ankle, the shirt also being white and worn on the outside of the trousers, minus a collar, but stiff cuffs. His head dress consisted of ten yards of very thin white material wound around the head, this large quantity is used in order to protect the brain and neck from the burning sun, otherwise the person would have sunstroke and soon die. He wore black socks and red pumps sharp at the toe also wore a red cord round the waist under the skirt.

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hips, with a head dress of thin white goods trimmed in tinsel gold as was also the blouse, which was very becoming. She showed three gods worshipped by Indians in India, the names as follows, viz: Tibetan Lama; Ganeoh, the elephant god; and Silva, the great god. The latter has three eyes, one in the middle of the forehead and is supposed by them to see everything. These gods were from one and one half to three inches tall. She also showed a Rosary-rudh ru ksha berries, worn by fakirs or the holy men of Hindoos. She also showed many trinkets consisting of bracelets, earrings, nose rings, anklets, etc., made of brass, glass, anything that they think adds to their beauty, some wear as many earrings as can be put in their ears all around; many having torn holes entirely out. She takes orders for the lovely fancy work done by the orphan girls of that country. She visited Benares on the sacred river Ganges where thousands of pilgrims go every year to bathe in the sacred water, took a boat and was rowed up the river where she saw the bathing "ghats" also burning "ghats", where bodies are first dipped in the river and then laid on pyres and burned, the ashes being then thrown into the river. In this city there are hundreds of temples. One of the "Seven Wonders" we might say is Taj Mahal, built by Shah Jahan, over the body of his beloved wife, Arjamand Barnu. Twenty thousand workmen were employed for seventeen years in building and decorating, half starved and families wholly starved, total cost 4,000,000 pounds sterling, pure marble inlaid with precious stones. The population of India is about 300,000,000, about 145,000,000 women, and about 23,000,000 widows. A large number of them are under 12 years of age—some under 11 years. The widows are shorn of their locks, jewels, taken away and are made slaves.

Miss Hale was in Lahore, North Western Province, India, for over five years, had malaria fever three times, while Mrs. Jarvis and another sister died and were buried there. Brother Jarvis and others were also very sick, but recovered—these persons were from the U. S. A. In the summer they were compelled, not being acclimated, to go to the hills or mountains, lest they die of sunstroke or malaria, this was expensive, costing \$25.00 per month to stay with the English people. While in the mountains they have a teacher and study the language, as one can do very little without knowing the same. The houses have very high ceilings as high as our churches—they keep the windows and doors closed to keep out the intense heat. On her return she visited Berkshire, England, Belfast, Ireland and Aberdeen, Scotland, where other Saints of the U. S. A. are missionaries. When her health permits she hopes to return to India as her soul is in the work. Any church wishing to arouse the missionary spirit would do well to have Miss Hale and company of workers give them a lecture, admission free, with a collection and free entertainment. The missionary songs are beautiful, all are good singers. Miss Hale sings also beautifully. Would add that although the life in India is one of our hardships, yet it is our duty to go or send—"Go unto all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

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must not forget to add that one of the many card pictures was a man lying on his back with only a cloth around his loins, with a very large stone on his breast and stomach, a bucket of ashes turned upside down on his face to appease his god. How dreadful! Let us do more to teach them of Jesus Christ, their living God and Savior of the world.

Amen.

## NEW BUILDINGS FOR THE FAIR GROUNDS

Executive Committee Proposes Many  
Changes and Improvements, and  
Room For the School Fair.

The Executive Committee of the Tazewell Fair Association met Tuesday night and talked over matters pertaining to the next Fair. Several changes and new plans were proposed, and practically agreed upon. One was—a suggestion from Mr. Fred R. Steele, the moving of all the stalls immediately below the restaurant building, about 15 in number, and the erection of a stable of about 30 stalls near the entrance and to the right, where there is a nice plot of ground not now in use. This will clear the grounds of a lot of unsightly and unsanitary horse stalls, etc. and be a great gain all around. The race track can be reached through the tunnel from the new stalls, with much less danger and more conveniently. This suggestion was well received, and will be carried out.

### NEW BUILDING FOR SCHOOL FAIR.

The removal of the horse stalls mentioned will give room for the erection of new buildings. It was shown that there is a lack of room on the grounds for the exhibits, which are growing larger yearly. The new department of school exhibits will necessitate a separate building, which was practically agreed upon. The Agricultural and Domestic Departments buildings are crowded each year, and this new school Fair, one of the finest things yet proposed will need its own separate building. The building, ample and suitable, will be erected on this ground made vacant by the removal of the stalls. And, so, the Fair grows from year to year, and a number of progressive farmers are growing with it.

The Agricultural Display at Fair next fall will be divided into three parts, each district having its own display, and a suitable special premium offered for the best display. The details have not all been worked out, but will be soon, and due notice given. This early announcement is made so as to allow everybody ample time to arrange for it. In addition to the usual cash premiums offered for individual displays a special liberal premium will be given for the best display of farm and garden products. The Agricultural Department will have more money this year than heretofore, and it will be worth while from a financial point, to take notice. The above, and other plans were outlined at a meeting of the Executive Committee, on Tuesday night, by Mr. Leslie, Supt. of Agricultural Department, and the committee approved the plan, and will give all possible encouragement to make this exhibition worthy of the county.

Each district should have some sort of organization and plan. The appointment of a manager for each district is almost absolutely necessary. Won't some one take hold of this part of the work in each district?

### Good School in Baptist Valley.

Mr. Editor:—I wish to have space in your paper for a few facts about the west Baptist Valley school, which closed a few days ago, and was taught by Miss Maggie Brewster, of Baptist Valley, being a successful lady. She is a good Christian lady, and is highly esteemed by all who know her. I would to God all teachers were Christians. She has given entire satisfaction in so far as I know. We had very interesting exercises with recitations, dialogues and songs by teachers and pupils. The school building being full of patrons and visitors. All that were present seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

The mines at this place are running nicely and plenty of work for all at fair prices. We have one cider shop at this place, quite a number of the boys give it a visit on Sunday. We don't think cider ought to be sold on Sunday anywhere. We think a merchant would have the same right to sell goods on Sunday as they would to sell cider. We need better officers or none at all.

### Womans Missionary Society.

The Womans' Missionary Society of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Henry Harman March, 10. The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. James O'Keefe. She stated that the past year had been one of great financial success and asked all to join in singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow". After a scriptural lesson an earnest prayer was offered. Throw Out "The Life Line", was sung by Mrs. J. R. King, then took up the literary part of the program. Mrs. C. W. Greever read a splendid paper on "Woman in the Home", Biblical Ideal, Mrs. O'Keefe followed with a fine talk on "Womans place in the Home in non-Christian lands". "The Dawning of the Home Idea in non-Christian lands" was discussed by Mrs. D. P. Hurley; Mrs. Royal then read a most excellent paper on "The Ideal American Home"; this was followed by a selection read by Mrs. Dr. Thompson on "The Causes of the Disappearances of the Home in America. Mrs. Conrad Tynes read from the Missionary Voice an article on "What the church can do". Mrs. Mary O'Keefe recited a sweet but short poem "A Home Song". Mrs. Lacy Tynes, our President, then took charge of the business part of the meeting at the close of which dainty and delicious refreshments were served by hostess, Mrs. Harman.

Supt. Literature and Press.

### Bluestone Items

Bluestone, March 10.—The farmers have been very busy, plowing, these pretty days.

Miss Joe Warren, teacher of school here, left last Wednesday for Horsepen Cove to teach for a few months.

Mrs. W. D. Tabor has moved from St. Clair back to Bailey.

Mrs. Mary Shannon is reported very sick at this writing.

Mr. A. J. Nash still remains very ill.

Mrs. C. A. Wagner and Mrs. D. I. Clifton were shopping in Bluefield last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Wagner were visiting friends here Sunday.

Miss Annie Nash who has been visiting in Bluefield for a few days returned home Monday.

Mr. Fred Nash spent Sunday with homefolks.

Miss Lillie Mae Wagner went to Bluefield Sanitarium Saturday to have a growth removed from her forehead, the operation proved more serious than was expected, tho' she stood the operation very well, and will be able to leave hospital the latter part of week for home.

Mrs. Annie Taylor and daughter, Corine, of Big Stone Gap, are visiting relatives here for a few days.

Mrs. Giles Carr, who has been suffering from rheumatism is not improving.

J. H. Wagner spent Sunday at his home here.

Mr. Kelly Dilla has an excuse to visit Wittens Mills every Sunday, he says he goes to visit home folks but other attractions call him there.

Mr. Marvin Hunnell, who works at Williamson visited his parents Saturday and Sunday.

### News of Coaland

Coaland, Va., March 10.—Mr. J. A. O'Bryne and family, P. H. O'Bryne and A. J. Beavers left the second day of this month for their new home in Oklahoma. We wish them much success in their new home.

Boyd Griffiths, son of E. J. Griffiths, departed this life on the 13th for the better land, his remains being laid to rest at the Thomas Burial ground. There was a large crowd at the burial. The train brought up a number of the brotherhood to see the burial. He belonged to several orders of brotherhood, and was held high in their esteem. His death was caused by tuberculosis brought on by cigarettes.

Henry Griffiths, son of M. J. Griffiths, was shot twice by police-man Osborn at Jewell Ridge. He was not dangerously hurt.

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## HALF A CROP BY USING POOR CORN

Inbreeding From Year to Year Will  
Cause Deterioration—Plant Two  
Good Varieties Together.

The question of seed corn bobs up just about this time every year. It is with us again. A number of farmers should change their seed. They are planting corn that owing to its poor quality alone, is producing about half a crop. No matter how rich the land or how well cultivated a full crop cannot be expected from such seed as many of our farmers are using. It has been rather carelessly selected, from the crib year after year, until it has run out, and a change should be made. Prof. Carrier says that inbreeding of the same corn from year to year will in the case of stock, deteriorate. Two good varieties of different strains, it seems, should be planted together, giving a cross, which, the agriculturists say, greatly improves the quality and yield of the crop. There are a number of fine samples on exhibition in the News office, from this county, different parts of the State and other States. Call and see it. You may find just what you need.

The Star Milling Company and The Tazewell Supply Company, advertise grass and clover seed in this paper. Alfalfa, the best of them all, is not advertised. There should be some demand for alfalfa seed in this section this season. If the farmers are expecting ever to grow it and a great many of them expect to, now is the time to begin. Wood and Sons, Richmond, quote the best alfalfa seed grown at \$9.00 per bushel of 60 lbs. In 10 lbs. 16c per pound. About 20 lbs will sow an acre. It can be sown any time now until September 1st.

### Burke's Garden Items

Burke's Garden, Va., March 11. Mr. John H. Thompson returned home Friday after an absence of about three months, which he had spent in the South trading horses. He was accompanied by Stuart Repass and Frazier Kitts.

Misses Ida and Emma Greever, who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. E. H. Copenhaver in Birmingham, Ala., are expected home in a few days.

Miss Nannie Belle Gregory's school at The Glade closes tomorrow, and Miss O'Keefe's school at the Rhudy school-house closes Friday.

Several from this place attended Mr. Ed Peery's sale at Ceres today.

Several of the tenant men in Burke's Garden changed places last week. Among the number were A. C. Kitts, Frank Kitts and Sam Dillow.

Janie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hoge was quite sick part of last week.

Mr. M. F. Wynn, of Tazewell, is at H. R. Stowers' this week doing some repair work on his house.

Mr. J. D. Greever made a business trip to Grayson last week.

### Shawver Mill Items

Shawver Mill, March 12.—Mrs. Myrtle Belcher returned home from the bedside of her daughter who was confined with pneumonia at Pearisburg. At last reports she was improving, and will return to her home here as soon as she is able to travel.

Miss Sallie Leffel has gone to Craig county, where she will spend a vacation of two weeks with her sister.

Mr. D. W. Leffel and family; Charlie Gregory and family; John Stowers and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Leffel Sunday.

Miss Minnie Kinser and sister spent the day with Miss Cora Hicks Sunday.

Miss Mary Lambert entertained a number of her friends Sunday afternoon.

A number of the Shawver Mill people spent Sunday at Green Valley attending quarterly meeting.

As springtime is near the farmers are busy plowing and making preparations for planting corn, etc.

Whitt and Wynn's was store was closed yesterday—taking stock.

### Farmers Headquarters.

The Board of Supervisors, at the last meeting granted L. A. Tynes, of the Star Milling Company the use of the lot back of the old jail site. Mr. Tynes will clear away the old shacks now standing on the lot, and erect a neat building to be used as a show and sample room for farm machinery, grass seeds, etc. The building will be a sort of headquarters for the farmers on court days and other public days. The portion of the lot not covered by the building will be used as "an experiment plot", for grass seed, fertilizer, etc. The idea is a good one all around. This lot and the buildings, etc., thereon have always been rather an eyesore, and the erection of a neat building, fences, etc., will certainly improve the looks of things besides being a great convenience. It is understood that Mr. Tynes erects the building at his own expense, and pays a rental of \$50.00 per year for the use of the premises.

### Now, Here's Your Chance.

A large number of our subscriptions expire with April. May is the beginning of our year.

It is our hope and aim to have every subscription paid to that date at least. Hence, we want to make April a big month, and celebrate our 16th anniversary by presenting every subscriber to this paper a clear receipt to May 1, 1913, and better still, to May 1914, a year in advance. This can easily be done if our friends will help along. We hope to send a statement to every body who is in arrears, and whether you receive a statement or not send your subscription along. If you do not know how you stand drop a card to the office and find out. We want to celebrate the 16th anniversary by clearing up the list, and starting afresh. April must be the greatest of all the months in the year. Keep this in mind. Are you in arrears? This little message means you. Will you help us celebrate? Editor.

### Sunday-School Meeting.

An interesting and remarkable meeting was held at Harrisonburg, Feb. 28th and March 1st, arranged by the Virginia Sunday School Association. Boys from 15 to 19 years of age, and their teachers, to the number of 105 from 5 counties, were present besides those from the town.

Great speeches were made by prominent Sunday School workers, and much good was done.

This was the second boys conference held in the State. Conferences are being arranged for other counties in the State. There might be such a conference held in Tazewell. It is needed here.

### Raven Items

Raven, March, 11.—Newt Gillespie visited his home people at Wittens Mill last Sunday.

Mr. Kemp Tarter, of Wittens Mill, visited his brother, Mr. Carl Tarter Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Frank Hurt, of Tazewell, was a visitor to this place Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCall returned Saturday from Washington and Baltimore.

Miss Lola Felty and Miss Lucile Lucas visited Mrs. Bob Shreeves, of Doran, Sunday.

Miss Viola Sparks visited Mrs. Lambert last week.

Miss Bessie Foster spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Pearl Preas.

Mr. Tom Lambert spent Friday at Mrs. Steele's at Pounding Mill.

Misses Liola Felty, Pearl Preas and Bessie Foster visited the Misses Davis at Doran Saturday afternoon.

### Rare Privileges.

Our genial old friend, J. W. Campbell, "The hermit" lime manufacturer at North Tazewell, let it drop the other day, in a conversation in this office, that he knew Abraham Lincoln well, and shook hands with him in Washington in 1863, and was in the same brigade with McKinley and Rutherford B. Hays during the civil war, and was also well acquainted with Garfield. Mr. Campbell marched in the funeral procession through Columbus when the body of McKinley was being borne to his old home in Canton for burial. Also he was with McKinley during the campaign in Ohio on several occasions. Mr. Campbell is probably the only citizen of this section who enjoyed either of the above named privileges.

## "PIE" HANDLED BY MONTAGUE ET ALS

Report Says Richmond Congressman  
and Jones and Glass Will Represent  
Administration in Virginia.

A special dispatch from Washington appeared in the daily papers Tuesday, announcing a rumor that Congressman Andrew Jackson Montague, William A. Jones and Carter Glass were to be referees in Virginia for the Wilson administration, which means, if true, that the numerous seekers after office in this State will have to secure the endorsement of these gentlemen.

Mr. Bryan, the distinguished Secretary of State, will doubtless take a hand in the matter to prevent the reactionaries from securing the offices. It is stated upon good authority, that if this arrangement is made, Carter Glass will have charge of the patronage in the Ninth district.

### The Bible Teaching Missions.

On next Tuesday, the 18th, there will be three services held in the Baptist church, 11:30 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Several ministers and laymen from the New Lebanon Association are expected to be present. "The Bible Teaching Missions" will be the great thoughtful discussion by the ministers and laymen. A cordial invitation is extended to one and all to attend these services.

T. H. CAMPBELL, Pastor.

### You Need Some of These.

Just unloaded a car of Clinchfield Portland cement, a car of Boon brand wood fibre, and a car of raw bone and Swift's Red Steer fertilizer. We have a full line of Syracuse plows and repairs. Seven different kinds of rubberoid roofings, galvanized V crimp roofing, American wire fencing and iron fence posts. Dupont dynamite, wagon and buggy harness, grass seeds, etc.

We can show you the biggest stock of furniture, mattresses, bed springs, iron beds, carpets, matting, rugs, druggets, we have ever carried in stock in the history of our business. We have six different styles of steel ranges, many different kinds of cooking stoves, which we can sell you for less than the New York or Chicago catalogue houses if you will take into consideration the freight charges you will have to pay. Give us a chance to sell you, buy your goods at home if you can. We merchants help you in the way of taxes, subscribe to your churches, help pay your road and school taxes. Let us have a chance to show you what we have.

The Tazewell Supply Co.

### First Sign of Summer.

A large flock of wild geese passed over, or through, the neighborhood on Wednesday late in the afternoon, crossing the mountains about opposite A. J. Steele's house, and on by the Whitman house just east of Bus-ton's residence. They were flying low, below the tops of the houses and hills, evidently confused, or looking for a good place to rest and spend the night. They were north bound. According to an old saying, winter has broken and spring is here. Also, a storm is said to follow in their path. The storm came on Wednesday night. The wild geese seems to be a good weather prophet, which may account for the fact that the weather bureau man at Washington frequently "makes a goose of himself."

### He's in Again, Officer.

The "ruling passion" is strong in Col. Pendleton. He has about completed his order for his new paper soon to be launched at Marion. The name of the new paper will be, it is said, The Virginia Progressive, and, politically, will follow the lead of Col. Roosevelt, and his school of statesmanship.

## Bantam Eggs for Hatching

Buff Cochins, White Cochins, Light Brahmas, Red Pyle Game. A few settings from choice birds at \$2.00 for 15, Games at \$3.00. Order several weeks before wanted. Only a few to spare.

POCAHONTAS INN,  
Pocahontas, Va.